

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A seal card game comprising:

a ticket,

a plurality of play areas on the ticket, each of said plurality of play areas having a hidden symbol, only one said hidden symbol on said ticket being a directional symbol, the remaining hidden symbols being end of game symbols,

a corresponding plurality of award areas on the ticket, each of the plurality of award areas containing a hidden value,

an award provided on the ticket only when a play area is uncovered to reveal the hidden directional symbol, the award determined by uncovering authorized award areas in a topological area authorized by the directional symbol, the award based on a predetermined mathematical operation performed on values revealed in the uncovered authorized award areas.

Claim 2 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein the hidden directional symbol is a graphic depiction of an arrow.

Claim 3 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein the hidden directional symbol is a graphic depiction of a bomb.

Claim 4 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein the mathematical operation comprises summing the values in uncovered authorized award areas.

Claim 5 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein at least one of the values in the uncovered authorized award areas is a multiplier.

Claim 6 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein the ticket is a scratch lottery ticket.

Claim 7 (original): The seal card game of claim 1 wherein the ticket is a pull ticket.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A method for playing a seal card game comprising:
providing a plurality of play areas on a ticket, each of the plurality of play areas having a hidden symbol, only one said hidden symbol on the ticket being a directional symbol,
providing a plurality of award areas on the ticket,
removing removable material over only one of said plurality of play areas to reveal the hidden symbol,
removing removable material over the award areas in the plurality of award areas only as authorized when the directional symbol is revealed,
paying an award based upon a revealed value in each uncovered authorized award area.

Claim 9 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the hidden symbol is a graphic depiction of an arrow.

Claim 10 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the hidden symbol is a graphic depiction of a bomb.

Claim 11 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the paid award is based on summing said values included in said revealed authorized award areas.

Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein at least one of the values in the revealed award areas is a multiplier.

Claim 13 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the ticket is a scratch lottery ticket.

Claim 14 (original): The method of claim 8 wherein the ticket is a pull ticket.

Claim 15 (original): A method for playing a sealed card game comprising:

purchasing a ticket containing the sealed card game upon payment of value by a player,

uncovering, by the player, only one of a plurality of play areas on the ticket to reveal a hidden symbol,

ending the sealed card game for the player when the uncovered hidden symbol on the ticket is an end of game symbol,

uncovering, by the player, award areas in a topological area of the ticket authorized by the uncovered hidden symbol when the uncovered hidden symbol is a directional symbol, the uncovered authorized award areas revealing hidden values,

awarding the player monetary value determined by performing a predetermined mathematical operation on the revealed hidden values,

voiding the sealed card game when more than one play area is uncovered.